

The HUB

The Official Newsletter of American Fork City



How Are We Doing? AF City Wants to Hear From You

What are your thoughts on AF services, quality of life, and funding needs in the city? Do you think Fiber in the city is a good thing? Please tell us in our annual American Fork City Community Survey, available right now!

You can take the survey online at americanfork.gov/survey.

Gathering resident opinions is invaluable to us as we make decisions for the City. The survey is brief and should only take about 10 minutes to complete, and your responses **WILL NOT** be individually tracked.



AMERICAN FORK
COMMUNITY SURVEY

Take the survey at:
americanfork.gov/survey

The survey closes Thursday, December 30. If you have any questions or concerns about the survey, please contact the Community Services Director at (801)763-3000.

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Office Numbers

Administration	801-763-3000
Public Works.....	801-763-3060
Library.....	801-763-3070
Fitness Center.....	801-763-3080
Senior Center.....	801-763-3090

Non-Emergency

Police.....	801-763-3020
Fire & Rescue.....	801-763-3045

On-Call / After-Hour

Water/Pressurized	801-404-1253
Sewer/Storm Drain	801-404-7167
Streets	801-404-1255
Garbage	801-924-8500
Street Lights	801-814-4311



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Celebrating the Service of Others

By Mayor Brad Frost

The holidays are a festive time of year when we share special moments with our family, friends and loved ones, and look ahead to a new year filled with promise and opportunity. We reflect upon our many blessings and are grateful for the sacrifices being made by our military and public safety personnel who protect our communities.

During this season of hope and joy, I offer my sincere thanks to all our neighbors for your continued collaboration, cooperation, and support. You are the foundation of American Fork City, and your civic engagement contributes to the progress of our City.

I also express my appreciation to all American Fork City employees for your dedication and service to our community. The work you perform every day to meet the needs of our residents enhances quality of life and exemplifies what building community is all about.

In the spirit of the season, I commend all those neighbors and employees who have made a special effort to give back to the community. From the American Fork employees who volunteer time every fall as part of their day of service. Residents who contribute to our mitten tree at the library in December. Our police officers who sponsor shop with a cop every year for families in need. I also know of similar families and businesses who also invest time and money into our community. You are all spreading goodwill throughout our community with open and generous hearts.

As the New Year approaches, it is truly an exciting time to be in American Fork City. Through grants and other funds, we have invested significantly in road improvements and water infrastructure. And, with PARC funds we continue to enrich our community's parks, arts, recreation, and culture. We are offering more recreational programs than ever before to keep our residents active, and provide a growing list of books and programs at our library.

As we look forward to new and exciting opportunities that lie ahead, we remain committed to leaving no neighborhood behind, and we remain passionate about working cooperatively with all of you to make American Fork City the best place to live, work, play, visit and raise a family.

AF HISTORY: CHURCH BUILDINGS



Tabernacle nearing completion in 1914

The influence of faith played a pivotal role in the settling of American Fork. Originally settled by members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, as the town grew, members of other faiths settled in the area as well. These different faiths have played an important part in our strong family-oriented community, and the church buildings they constructed for worship.

The oldest church, which is still in use today as a church, is the Community Presbyterian Church, located at 75 North 100 East. It was built in 1877 and a few years later was enlarged. The building has had repairs over the years with major renovations in 1976-1977 to preserve it. Most preservation work was done by the local members and their friends. In the early years of its existence, they held a Presbyterian Day School. This school continued until 1909. The Community Presbyterian Church is a beautiful reminder of our city's roots and beginnings.

Two more historic churches that are still standing are the 2nd and 3rd Ward buildings. These buildings are no longer used as churches but started as chapels of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in 1903 and were dedicated for religious worship in 1907. The 2nd Ward building, located at 130 West 100 South, consisted of only a chapel area. Firmage Hall was built near the chapel as a social hall and eventually the chapel and hall were connected. Currently Bigelow and Co Organ Builders now reside in the old church building. The 3rd Ward building, at 198 W 300 N, also initially consisted only of a chapel area. In 1938 a social hall was added. The building is now the North Hampton Reception Hall. Both historic buildings add to our town's charm.



Community Presbyterian Church in 2021

The historic Alpine Stake Tabernacle of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, which sits in the heart of downtown American Fork, resides on the southeast corner of Main Street and 100 East. Construction started in 1909 and the Tabernacle was dedicated as a place of worship in October 1915. The Tabernacle was built to hold large church meetings and conferences, as well as community programs and functions. Christmas pageants, concerts, graduations, and funerals have all been held in this stately building. The wonderful edifice has had many improvements and repairs over the years but has always kept its historic look.

It is worth taking time to see these historic and amazing church buildings to remind us of the rich history of faith in our community.

AF City Election Results

Congratulations to Brad Frost for being reelected to serve as Mayor, and Staci Carroll and Ryan Hunter to serve on the city council. The citizens of American Fork also voted to

approve the PARC program for another ten years, which will help fund even more improvements to our parks, arts, recreation, and cultural programs. Thank you all who voted!



Brad Frost
Mayor



Staci Carroll
City Council



Ryan Hunter
City Council



PARC Tax

AF High School Marching Band Wins Competition



Congratulations to the American Fork High School Marching Band! They won the 6A State Championship and the Bands of America Regional Championship last month!


The Bands of America Championships, presented by Yamaha, provide opportunities to perform in the finest venues, receive quality evaluation, and to observe other bands, all in a positive, affirming, and celebratory atmosphere. Participating bands receive commentary from the most skilled judges and educators in the nation. For the band director, Bands of America Championships are an opportunity to demonstrate excellence, and to evaluate the achievement of your students, as well as the progress of your program on a national level.

ABOUT THE BAND


The American Fork H.S. Band program consists of over 300 students in grades 9-12. The Marching Band performs in several local parades each summer and the competitive band has been the Utah State Marching Band Champions for the past 26 years. The Concert and Jazz Bands have received consistent superior ratings at local and regional festivals for the past 25 years.

Christmas Tree Dropoff


Republic Services will be offering free dumpsters exclusively for disposing of Christmas trees. These dumpsters will be located at the City's salt dome lot on 240 E 200 N after Christmas through January. The dumpsters will be accessible Monday through Thursday, 7 a.m.—6 p.m. Only undecorated, real trees without lights, tinsel, flocking or attached stands will be accepted. Curbside tree pickup will not be available this year.

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presents

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The Musical



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December 06 - December 13
2021



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